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BOARD OF CLINICAL SOCIAL WORK EXAMINERS

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PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES: BOARD OF CLINICAL SOCIAL WORK EXAMINERS

MEETING DATE AND TIME: Monday, September 15, 2014 at 9:00 a.m.

PLACE: 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware

Conference Room A, second floor of the Cannon Building

MINUTES APPROVED: October 20, 2014

MEMBERS PRESENT

Florienda Scott-Cobb, Professional Member, **President**, Presiding Rochelle Mason, Professional Member, **Vice President**Lori Malloy, Professional Member
John Mucha, Professional Member
Kyla Teed, Public Member

DIVISION STAFF/DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL PRESENT

Eileen Kelly, Deputy Attorney General Gayle MacAfee, Deputy Director David Mangler, Director Samantha Nettesheim, Pharmacist Administrator Shauna Slaughter, Executive Director Jessica Williams, Administrative Specialist II

MEMBERS ABSENT

Sandra Bisgood, Public Member, Secretary

ALSO PRESENT

Waverney Herbert, Child, Inc.
Stacey Huffman, Aim Therapeutic Services
Dr. Marlene Saunders, NASW
Holly Vaughn Wagner, Sunset Committee, Division of Research

CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Scott-Cobb called the meeting to order at 9:06 a.m.

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Board reviewed the July 21, 2014, minutes for approval. Ms. Mason moved, seconded by Ms. Malloy, to approve the minutes as written. Motion unanimously carried.

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NEW BUSINESS

Ratification of Applications to Sit for the ASWB Clinical Exam

Ms. Mason moved, seconded by Mr. Mucha, to ratify the application to sit for the ASWB Clinical Exam for Yanira Colon. Motion unanimously carried.

Ms. Mason moved, seconded by Mr. Mucha, to ratify the application to sit for the ASWB Clinical Exam for Carmela Longobardi. Motion unanimously carried.

Ms. Mason moved, seconded by Mr. Mucha, to ratify the application to sit for the ASWB Clinical Exam for Mia Powell. Motion unanimously carried.

Ms. Mason moved, seconded by Mr. Mucha, to ratify the application to sit for the ASWB Clinical Exam for Angela Taninies. Motion unanimously carried.

Ms. Mason moved, seconded by Mr. Mucha, to ratify the application to sit for the ASWB Clinical Exam for Shira Thomas. Motion unanimously carried.

Ms. Mason moved, seconded by Mr. Mucha, to ratify the application to sit for the ASWB Clinical Exam for Amber Veet. Motion unanimously carried.

Ms. Mason moved, seconded by Mr. Mucha, to ratify the application to sit for the ASWB Clinical Exam for Patricia Caulk. Motion unanimously carried.

Ms. Mason moved, seconded by Mr. Mucha, to ratify the application to sit for the ASWB Clinical Exam for Kathleen Evans-Cluff. Motion unanimously carried.

Ms. Mason moved, seconded by Mr. Mucha, to ratify the application to sit for the ASWB Clinical Exam for Stefanie Streets. Motion unanimously carried.

Ratification of Applications for Licensure by Reciprocity

Ms. Mason moved, seconded by Mr. Mucha, to ratify the application for licensure by reciprocity for Kirsten Fawcett-Dubow. Motion unanimously carried.

Review of Applications to Sit for the ASWB Clinical Exam Reciprocity (Full Board Review Needed)

The Board reviewed Polly Jansen's application to sit for the ASWB Clinical Exam. Ms. Mason moved, seconded by Ms. Scott-Cobb, to approve the applicant to sit for the ASWB Clinical Exam. Motion unanimously carried.

The Board reviewed Tiffany Patterson's application to sit for the ASWB Clinical Exam. Ms. Scott-Cobb moved, seconded by Ms. Malloy, to table the application for additional clarification as to why a LCSW did not supervise the applicant, when it appears that one was available. Motion unanimously carried.

The Board reviewed Shameka Sparrow's application to sit for the ASWB Clinical Exam. Ms. Mason moved, seconded by Ms. Scott-Cobb, to approve the applicant to sit for the ASWB Clinical Exam. Motion unanimously carried.

Review of Application for Licensure by Reciprocity (Full Board Review Needed)

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The Board reviewed Rachel Clary's application for licensure by reciprocity. Ms. Mason moved, seconded by Ms. Teed, to approve the application for licensure by reciprocity. Motion unanimously carried.

Review Requests for Accommodations for the ASWB Clinical Exam

The Board reviewed Justine Fogam's request for ESL accommodations for the ASWB Clinical Exam. Ms. Mason moved, seconded by Ms. Malloy, to approve the request. Motion unanimously carried.

The Board reviewed Linda Pawlyk's request for ADA accommodations for the ASWB Clinical Exam. Ms. Mason moved, seconded by Ms. Malloy, to approve the request. Motion unanimously carried.

Review Memorandum from Director Mangler Regarding the 148th General Assembly

The Board reviewed Director Mangler's memorandum regarding the upcoming legislative session. Ms. Kelly advised the Board that the Joint Sunset Committee review governs the legislation, due to the Board being under Sunset review.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

<u>Discussion Regarding Joint Sunset Committee Review Process</u>

Ms. MacAfee advised the Board that she is currently working on the Joint Sunset Committee questionnaire, which is due on October 15, 2014. Ms. MacAfee advised the Board that she received the memorandum submitted by Ms. Scott-Cobb regarding the Board's accomplishments, challenges, and suggestions for improvement. Ms. Kelly advised the Board that she will be drafting a clean copy of the proposed statute for the Joint Sunset Committee to review.

The Board discussed their accomplishments, challenges, and the areas that are in need of improvement. It was determined that some of the notable accomplishments are: moving from a title to practice act; reviewing the need for multilevel licensure; the process for securing LCSW supervision; and the streamlining of applications. The Board discussed the challenges that they have faced, which include: the lack of involvement and support from LCSW's within the state; the pay at the State level; and the pass/fail rates for applicants taking the ASWB Clinical Exam. Lastly, the Board discussed the opportunities for improvement; which included the development of multi-level licensure; updating the continuing education regulations to limit the number of ceu's that can be completed online; and possibly requiring licensees to seek consultations or mentoring from peers.

Ms. Kelly will consolidate the Board's accomplishments, challenges, and opportunities for improvement in a report, and submit the report to Ms. MacAfee. Ms. MacAfee will include the Board's report in the Joint Sunset Committee's questionnaire.

The Board observed a brief recess from 10:39 a.m. until 10:47 a.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Dr. Saunders addressed the Board and suggested that the Board add their tenaciousness regarding their communication and willingness to receive public comments on their list of accomplishments. Dr. Saunders is interested in to looking into the pass/fail rates for the exam, specifically focusing on the institution in which the applicant completed their master's program. She also suggested that the Board add the mobilization of LCSW's within the community to their list of challenges.

CORRESPONDENCE

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There was no correspondence.

OTHER BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD (FOR DISCUSSION ONLY)

Ms. Williams advised the Board that Dr. Saunders forwarded her information from Illinois. Illinois has created a cultural competence requirement for continuing education.

Ms. Scott-Cobb and Ms. Malloy agreed to review the clean applications on a weekly basis.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on October 20, 2014 at 9:00 a.m. in Conference Room A.

ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Malloy moved, seconded by Ms. Mason, to adjourn the meeting. Motion unanimously carried. There being no further business before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 10:55 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Jessica M. Williams, Administrative Specialist II
Delaware Board of Clinical Social Work Examiners